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WANTED—A good dining room girl. Apply to Saunder's restaurant, Government street. fe15-1w

WANTED—A first-class housekeeper, middle aged preferred. Apply to Manager of St. Alice Hotel, Harrison Hot Springs. fe12-3t

WANTED—A girl to do housework. Apply to Mrs. Mallett, 14 Young St., James Bay. f9w

WANTED—A woman to do general house work. Apply to Mrs. Earle, 121 Fort street. j19tf

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Thirty acres of good land on the Burnside Road; suitable for fruit growing. Apply to B. Wilkinson on the premises or to F. G. Walker, Langley street, Victoria. f131w

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FOR SALE—A saddle or pack horse. Apply to T. W. Pierre & Son, Tailors and Dyers, Yates street. feb7-tf

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TO LET—Furnished rooms with or without board. For particulars apply at 34 Michigan street, opposite Bird Cage Walk. fe15lw

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WILL HOLD THEIR
ANNUAL GRAND BALL
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ASSEMBLY ROOMS, FORT ST.,
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TICKETS, ADMITTING GENTLEMAN AND LADY, $3.00.

To be had only of the committee and members of the Lodge.
Supper will be served by the king of caterers, L. Marboeuf, of the Poodle Dog, which is sufficient gurrantee that it will please the most epicurean taste.
Music by Prof. Bernstein's orchestra.
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J. B. JONES,
fe14-td Sec'y. Com.

OLD FOLKS CONCERT!

The Union Committee of Temperance Hall will give

A Concert
—ON—
Tuesday Evening, Feb. 20th.

Proceeds to be devoted to the liquidating of the debt upon the hall. The concert will be under the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown.
Admission 50 cents. Reductions to Families fe15-td

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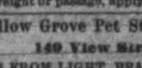

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TO THE TIMES ONLY.

Death of C. J. Bridges, H. B. Co, — M. C. Cameron Ill— Jesuits' Estate Act.

Debate in the House of Commons—Population of the Dominion.

Special to The Times.]

Winnipeg, Feb. 18—The city was startled by the sudden death of C. J. Bridges, land commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Company, on Saturday afternoon while visiting the general hospital. He was the most prominent man in Winnipeg. He was appointed land commissioner in 1879, being formerly manager of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways.

M. C. CAMERON.

A Well-Known Politician Stricken Down With Illness.

Special to The Times.]

Goderich, Feb. 18—M. C. Cameron, ex-Member for West Huron, was stricken down with internal hemorrhage on Thursday last. At present he is a precarious condition. He rallied somewhat to-day. Mr. Cameron is one of the best known public men in Canada.

FROM MONTREAL.

Protesting Against the Jesuits' Estate Act—The Fire.

Special to The Times.]

Montreal, Feb. 18—In many of the Protestant churches here to-day, resolutions protesting against the Jesuits Estates Act were read and petitions were largely signed.

The loss by Saturday's fire is estimated at $200,000.

FROM OTTAWA.

Impugning a Seat—The Big Debate Begun.

Special to The Times.]

Ottawa, Feb. 18—When the House met to-day, Taylor, the Government whip, impugned the right of Dr. Robertson, Liberal, of Prince Edward Island, to his seat, seeing he accepted seven dollars for medical fees at a port there from the customs department. The question was allowed to stand for explanation from the doctor.

Several private bills were read a second time.

Col. Prior was in his seat and moved the second reading of the act to incorporate the Victoria, Saanich and New Westminster railway, but as it was not printed it was left over.

In reply to Sir Richard, Hon. Mr. Carling said that the population of the Dominion was 4,946,467; in British Columbia there were 131,366.

The big debate opened by Sir Richard Cartwright on his resolution that Canadians should have the right to negotiate treaties with foreign countries. He made a full statement, as he has done before, regarding the right of Canada to make treaties, and one of his bitter onslaughts on the Government for so long delaying this privilege.

The Government, on being asked what had induced the administration not to accede to Mr. Haggart's effort to reduce the postage rate to two cents, said that the Government had decided for the present to devote all the energies of the postal department to enlarging and improving the mail service throughout Manitoba and the Northwest. Many new offices will be opened and the service much improved. The reduction of postage rates will be considered later.

In a committee of supply, Hon. Mr. Haggart announced that a Government measure to be introduced this session would double the maximum weight of a letter that can be mailed for three cents.

In the Postoffice Department several additions are to be made to the outside staff. Assistant inspectors are to be appointed for Ottawa, Stratford, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and British Columbia divisions. The cost will be $6,700.

A. W. Ross denies he is going to desert Lisgar. He says he will run the next time and will carry it.

The Dominion Rifle Association has decided to send a team to Wimbledon next summer.

Halifax, Feb. 17—Arthur Dexter and Melverne Cole, young men, were drowned in Liverpool river, near Milton, yesterday through the upsetting of a canoe. Willoughby Murray was saved with difficulty.

A young man named Daniels, of West Paradise, fell, and his gun was discharged. The shot struck him above the ear, inflicting probably fatal injuries.

A strong effort is being made to send a handsome sum of money to Parnell to assist him in his trial. A large amount has already been contributed, and subscriptions are flowing in.

St. Thomas, Feb. 12—When Alfred Walker of Yarmouth went to his barn this morning he found his brother Harold sitting bolt upright in his cutter, dead. Deceased had driven home from a neighbor's on the previous night and was stricken down by heart disease as he was doing to the barn. The reins were still in his hands.

Toronto, Feb. 17—Petitions for the abolition of all tax exemptions continue to pour into the House. Treasurer Ross brought down the estimates for the financial year ending 31st December, 1889. Following is a summary: Current expenditures, $2,628,515; on capital account, $557,805; other purposes, $25,557; total, $3,211,910.

Montreal, Feb. 17—O. V. Micheau, a young Frenchman, charged with forgery of Benchand's signature to a bond for three thousand francs in France, has been committed to jail here, to remain fifteen days, then to be handed over to the French authorities.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Another Phase of the Robson-Suter Libel Case Again.

Special to The Times.]

New Westminster, B. C., Feb 18. The case of Mary Agnes Suter vs. John Robson came up for a hearing on Saturday morning last before Hon. Mr. Justice McCreight and a special jury. This was an interpleader issue, arising out of the late Robson-Suter libel suit. It was to determine if a certain bill of sale of goods and chatels given by J. K. Suter to Mary Agnes Suter was valid as against John Robson, the execution creditor. T. C. Atkinson appeared for the plaintiff and Theo. Davie, Q. C., appeared for the defendant. After a lengthy hearing the proceedings were brought to a close at 10 o'clock at night, when the jury rendered a verdict in favor of defendant.

Manufacture of Lumber.

The petition of W. J. Macaulay and others, presented to the Legislature to-day, asks for the incorporation of a company for the purpose of carrying on the manufacture of lumber and wooden ware in Victoria and various parts of British Columbia. Mr. Macaulay represents the extensive firm which recently purchased the milling property of Messrs. Croft & Angus, at Chemainus, and 100,000 acres of timber lands from Mr. Dunsmuir, and who intend to prosecute the business on this island on a large scale.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

INDIAN RETRIBUTION.

A Life for a Life—The Double Tragedy at the Hoonah Mission.

This week we learned the particulars of the double murder which happened at the Hoonah Mission last November, which is as follows:

A quite wealthy and influential Indian by the name of Johnson came into Hoonah, from his ranch at St. James' bay, and procured some hoochinoo, (Indian whiskey) immediately began to "load up." Johnson, even when sober, was greatly feared and disliked by the Indians throughout the country. He was a man possessed of great physical strength, and was most overbearing in his disposition towards men, and brutish towards women. Any woman that struck his fancy, whether married or single, he would use force and brute strength to accomplish her ruin. As this brute in human form was staggering along in front of the village he espied a young married Indian girl coming towards him that he had previously been smitten with. As soon as the girl perceived him coming towards her, she turned and fled. Johnson immediately gave pursuit, but fear lent wings to the girl's feet, and she gained her home first at the lower end of the village, and had just time to shut and bar the door before her pursuer came up. Nothing daunted, and finding the door barred, he began to kick it, and soon gained entrance to the house. In the space of a very few moments he had had cleaned out the entire household, the girl in the meantime making her escape. Finding the girl gone Johnson started out to hunt her up. The girl's husband collecting a few friends took refuge in the house again, and had been there but a few minutes when Johnson again came up and demanded admittance. He had procured an axe, and upon being refused began to batter down the door. But the girl's husband was ready for him, and the minute the would-be ravisher stepped over the threshold, he received the contents of a rifle full in his face, the bullet striking him nearly between the eyes, he was killed almost instantly.

The killing of Johnson caused a great commotion among his friends in the village, and although his intended crime was deserving of a worse death, they demanded that the tribal laws, a life for a life, be carried out. The slayer of Johnson and protector of his wife's virtue, seeing that it must be so, immediately went out and gave himself up, and was shot upon the spot. But the Indian's law had been avenged—it was the life of a noble protector of women for that of a ravisher and brute.—*Alaska Free Press.*

AN OYSTER STORY.

A California Lady's Experience with Eastern Bivalves.

I have never found anything but once here in excess of my expectations, or even approaching them, and that was the New York oysters. I had then just come from California, where oysters are very small and unimportant, not to say insignificant, and I had often eaten a hundred there at a time, and I had always felt that I could eat more if I had them. So when I arrived at the Metropolitan Hotel I ordered my dinner to be served in my room, and I told the waiter to bring with my dinner a strong cup of coffee and a hundred raw oysters. He looked at me a moment, and then said:

"Did I understand you to say a hundred oysters?"

"Yes," I answered, "raw, on the half shell, with vinegar; no lemons; and as soon as you can, for I am very hungry."

"Ahem, Miss, do you want a hundred?"

"Yes, I do! What are you waiting for? Must I pay for them in advance? I want nice large ones."

"No! no! Miss. All right, you shall have them." And he went out.

I continued my writing, and forgot all about my dinner till he knocked and came in with my dinner on a tray, but no oysters. "How is this?" said I. "There are no oysters."

"Dey's comin', Miss, dey's comin'," and the door opened and in filed three more sons of Afric's burning sands, each with a big tray of oysters on the halfshell.

I was staggered, but only for a moment, for I saw the waiters were grinning, so I calmly directed them to place one tray on a chair, one on the washstand and one on the bed, and said: "They are very small, aren't they?"

"Oh! no, Miss, de berry largest we'se got."

"Very well," said I, "you can go. If I want any more I'll ring."

When they got into the hall one said to the other: "Fore God, if she eats all them oysters, she's a dead woman."

I did not feel hungry any longer. I drank my coffee and looked at the oysters, everyone of them as big as my hand, and they all seemed looking at me with their horrible white faces, and out of their diabolical eye, until I could not have eaten one any more than I could have carved up a live baby. They leered at me and seemed to dare me to attack them.

Our California oysters are small, and with no more individual character about them than grains of rice; but these detestable creatures were instinct with evil intentions, and I dared not swallow one for fear of the disturbance he might raise in my interior. So I set about getting rid of them, for I was never going to give up beaten before those waiters. I hung up a dress over the keyhole after I locked the door, and just outside my window found a tin water-spout that had a small hole in it. I carefully enlarged it, and then slid everyone of those beastly creatures down one by one—one hundred and two of them—they all the time eyeing me with that cold, pasty look of malignity. When the last one was out of sight I stopped trembling, and finished my dinner in peace, and then rang for the waiters. You should have seen their faces! One of the waiters asked me if I would have some more. May he never know the internal pang he inflicted upon me, but I replied calmly: "Not now. I think too many at once might be hurtful."

BISMARCK'S LUCK.

How His Chief Enemies Have Been Removed by the Hand of Fate.

The New York *Tribune* publishes a significant interview with a prominent diplomat at Washington, which is in line with the Paris dispatch to the Associated Press, in which the *Star* points out the singular coincidence of the mysterious deaths of Prince Rudolph, Gambetta, General Skobeleff, King Ludwig of Bavaria, and others, all of whom were persons that Bismarck had occasion to fear. The interview points out that Rudolph was opposed to the ascendancy of Germany in the triple alliance; that upon his accession to the throne this would doubtless be made known to Bohemia, and that the fact of his friendship for Clemenceau and Boulanger was well known. He points out that fate has worked to Bismarck's advantage through most extraordinary scenes and coincidences and declares Bismarck knew eight hours in advance of the attempt upon the life of Chereou when with Louis Napoleon in 1867, but allowed it to be done, knowing it would promote the alliance of France and Russia, which would have rendered war between France and Germany impossible.

A wrestling match took place on Beacon Hill this afternoon between Wm. Smith and James Simpson. Smith threw Simpson twice in 20 minutes.

AMERICAN DISPATCHES

Frightful Explosion in Hartford, Connecticut—A Large Hotel Totally Destroyed.

An Investigation Wanted—Pres. Cleveland Finishing his Labors.

By Postal Telegraph.]

Hartford, Con., Feb. 18.—The boiler in the Park Central Hotel in this city blew up with terrific force at five o'clock this morning, totally wrecking the entire front of the structure, which was a five story brick building. The entire fire department, with the police reserves, were summoned. The ruins immediately took fire. The work of the firemen was greatly impeded by dense volumes of smoke and steam which hung over the debris. The loss of life is estimated at from 40 to 75, but may be very much less than even the former figures. Four persons in all were probably fatally injured, and have been taken from the ruins.

The shock of the explosion awoke residents for a block around the corner of High and Allyn streets. On the corner stood the Park Central, a five-story building. The structure was about 30 feet front and 100 feet deep. The first to arrive at the scene found the building a heap of ruins, from which issued smoke and steam. The dense crowds of spectators were appalled by the shrieks and groans of many human beings imprisoned in a mass of timber and masonry, from which flames were already bursting. A general alarm was immediately summoned for the entire fire department. An immense crowd was attracted by the explosion and fire alarm, and soon packed the streets in the vicinity. At first the fire and smoke entirely prevented any attempt at rescue of the victims, and it was not until a flood of water was poured upon the ruins that work could be prosecuted. A few dying persons were taken from the debris, however, within an hour after the explosion. The force of the explosion threw a bed and a sleeping woman upon it far into the street, while one of the heavy doors of the house landed a block away. By 9 o'clock the flames were so far subdued that the rescuers were enabled to get at some of the victims. Some were pinned beneath heavy timbers, upon which rested masses of masonry, rendering the work of rescue extremely hazardous. The report that members of the "Hoodman Blind" theatrical company were in the ruins of the hotel is incorrect. They applied for rooms last night but could not get them. The dead body of Dwight H. Buell of this city, was taken out at 10 o'clock. The bodies of Louis H. Bronson, stove dealer, Hartford, wife and child, were discovered at the same time. Harry Stiffle, a commercial traveller of Philadelphia, was taken from the ruins considerably bruised, but he remarked that he was "all right." The house had accommodations for 100 guests. Intending guests who applied for rooms late on Saturday were informed that the house was full, so it seems probable that at least eighty persons were in the hotel at the time of the explosion of which perhaps twenty were employees, who occupied an annex of the house, which has not yet fallen although in a shaky condition. Among those known to be buried in the ruins are Rev. Dr. L. Perrin and wife, of New Britain; W. W. F. Whitney, actuary of the Hartford Life Annuity Insurance Co., and wife; Wellington Ketchum, proprietor of the hotel, wife and son. Six persons have been sent to the hospital. Owing to the destruction of the register the names of many of the guests cannot be ascertained. The catastrophe is generally supposed to have been caused by the explosion of the boiler although some doubt has been expressed on this point, as the building has been popularly supposed to be unsafe. It was built on "made" ground. The street department and railroads furnished their forces of laborers, with jacks, etc., and the work of searching for bodies is now going forward in a systematic manner. At 1 o'clock a military call was sounded on the fire bell, calling out the military companies to assist in preserving order.

About 1 o'clock, amid enthusiastic cheers from the crowd, Lord Ketchum and wife were taken out alive and conscious. They were able to drink some coffee with great relish, no small wonder, considering that they had been imprisoned in the cellar in their night clothes for hours, with floods of chilling water pouring upon them. The extent of their injuries cannot be ascertained at present. They were taken to the hospital soon afterward. Walter Gay, the New York agent of Heggerman's Manufacturing Company, was taken out alive. The dead body of J. C. Hill, commercial traveler, was taken out. David Morrison, brakeman, and Fred Haynes, flagman, on the New England Railway, were undoubtedly buried in the ruins.

Among those buried in the ruins are: John M. Housmen, of the Revere Rubber Co., Boston; Geo. W. Ross, traveler for Watts, Williams & Co., Boston; A. F. Tillatan, traveling for Merrill, Chemical Co., Chicago was taken out dead. Geo. J. Gaynes, night porter at the hospital, Jacob Turpin, colored waiter, Heben Lapointe, guest, Jennie Decker, were badly bruised, both legs being broken. M Merrigan, Unionville, badly bruised. The hotel was built 15 years ago and cost with furniture $120,000. Although the building was carefully built, it soon settled badly. About five years ago Ketchum took a lease and renovated and furnished the house. Insurance $38,000. No fragments of the boiler have yet been found, which militates against the theory of the boiler explosion.

Those burned in the ruins are: Maux Galady, editor of the Hartford *Herald*; Geo. J. Engler, drug clerk, Hartford; Edward Perry, night clerk of the hotel; Geo. Ketetrum, brother of the proprietor. Pendleton, of Indiana, is soliciting subscriptions.

AN INVESTIGATION WANTED.

New York, Feb. 18.—The *World* this morning denounces the treatment of Klen, the correspondent, by the Germans at Samoa and calls for an investigation by the Senate committee on foreign relations.

NEW STATES.

Washington, Feb. 18.—It is expected that the Senate will agree to the House appropriations for the admission of the two Dakotas, Montana and Washington territories this week.

CALLERS NOT WANTED.

Washington, Feb. 18—President Cleveland announces that he will be unable to devote any time to callers during the week, desiring to use the time to dispose of pending business requiring his personal attention before the close of his term of office.

SHOT AND KILLED.

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 18.—Jas. Elliston, one of the largest ranchmen in Western Kansas, accused his ranch superintendent, C. L. Baldy, with undue attentions to Elliston's wife. Subsequently Baldy shot and killed Elliston.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Santa Anna, Cala., Feb. 18.—Yesterday afternoon, while Dr. F. Seeber, one of the most prominent citizens of this valley, and a party of hunters were hunting in a boat in the bay, a loaded gun which was being passed across the boat, was accidentally discharged. The charge struck Seeber in the breast inflicting a wound which caused his death in a short time.

FIRE IN EUGENE.

Eugene, Ore., Feb. 18.—At six o'clock this morning fire broke out in O'Brien's Hall, the largest in town and occupied by a variety theatrical Co. The theatre, a residence, and three stables with nearly all their furniture and contents, were entirely destroyed. Loss about $10,000.

SAILED FOR PORT AU PRINCE.

Key West, Feb. 18—United States steamer Galena, with rear Admiral Gherardi on board, has sailed for Port Au Prince.

AH SIN WAS HIS NAME.

Chicago, Feb. 18—Sin Sing Yoo, cashier of See Tom & Co., has skipped to Canada with $1,500.

OLD PROBS.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Local rains in Oregon and Washington Territory are predicted for the succeeding twenty four hours.

A TELEGRAPH DEAL.

Montreal, Feb. 18—The Northern Pacific railway has just completed arrangements with the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company of Canada, by which the American corporation takes all the telegraph companies' lines west of Winnipeg, and will work them in connection with their own system of wires, which begins at Duluth.

FIRE IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 15—A terrible conflagration is now raging here. Already millions of dollars worth of property have been destroyed and millions more threatened, and still at the writing, 1 p. m., there is no appearance of the flames being stopped. The fire started at 6 o'clock this morning in the extensive rolling mills of Peck, Benny, & Co., No. 68 Mill street, and extended north to the back of the Lachine canal. The entire brigade was called out, but could not prevent the fire spreading to the Canal Iron and Nail and Spike Works and the immense premises adjoining, and by 10 o'clock, when the fire had been gotten under control the whole of these immense piles of buildings were almost completely destroyed. At noon the flames again broke out in the Canal works and before the firemen could reach the scene they had spread to the monster elevator on the canal bank, owned by McDougall, Logie & Co., with the immense granary attached, and Ogilvie's Royal Flour Mills. In the elevator and granaries were stored upwards of 300,000 bushels of grain, principally owned by Gould and Co., and all of which will undoubtedly be a total loss. When the firemen arrived a general alarm was sent in, but the hydrants in the vicinity of the fire being covered by heaps of snow, and some of them frozen, it was almost impossible to get any water for a long time, while two of the steam engines were laid up, and the largest one in the city had no steam for twenty minutes after it arrived on the ground. Meanwhile the flames rolled on unchecked. When this engine was put to work it was where it was of no practical service, and while the men tried to change it three men and horses rolled down the bank to the wharf. The engine has just been got out and an effort will be made to work on the canal.

2 p. m.—At present there are only four serviceable steamers playing on the burning buildings, and the flames have now spread to the large manufactory and warehouse of Messrs. Pillow, Hersey & Co. Messages have been sent out to the neighboring municipalities asking that the steam engines be sent to the city, but at present it looks as if nothing would save the whole street from destruction and among the buildings now threatened are the Island City paint and varnish works, the Dominion linseed oil mills, the Sparkham cement roofing company's works, the Canada horseshoe nail works, and the great warehouse of the Montreal Warehousing company. It is just rumored that two firemen have been killed by the falling of a wall in the elevator building. It is estimated the loss at present to buildings, grain and goods is nearly $2,000,000. Over 500 men are thrown out of employment. It is impossible to give a correct list of the insurance, but all the companies doing business in Montreal will be heavy losers.

HON. JOHN BRIGHT.

London, Feb. 18—John Bright has suffered another relapse.

HARRISON'S LAW PARTNER.

Chicago, Feb. 18—An Indianapolis dispatch has been received here purporting to give a complete list of members of the cabinet. There does not seem to be authority for the dispatch and it is given for what it is worth. It is as follows: "It is now stated that General Harrison will not announce his cabinet until the day of inauguration. There is no doubt that all the positions have been decided upon. It now stands: State, Blaine; Treasury, Windom; War, Rusk; Postmaster-General, Wanamaker; Navy, Thomas of Illinois; Interior, J. W. Noble, of Missouri; Agriculture, Warner Miller; Attorney General, W. H. Miller, of Indiana, Harrison's law partner.

ALASKA NEWS.

A Nugget Worth $15,000—A Mild Winter.

On the day the Ancon left Douglas Island Supt. Fuller brought out and showed Mrs. L. L. Williams and Mrs. J. C. Howard a solid lump of gold weighing forty pounds and worth $15,000.

The lowest point registered by the thermometer this winter is 18 degrees above zero, and yet they say that this is the land of icebergs and glaciers. It is time the school geographies were revised.

Messrs. Willoughby and Ware this week bonded a portion of their Admiralty island property to Frank Nowell, consideration $50,000. Aside from this group, these gentlemen have other mines directly adjoining that are as valuable, if not more so, than those bonded.

A correspondent commenting on the fact that the rent of the Seal Islands has about already reached the amount paid by the United States for the whole Territory of Alaska, adds these words: "Notice this—the rent of two small islands, hundreds of miles at sea, amounting in all to about thirty square miles, paying the entire purchase price of nearly six thousand square miles of territory. Never before in the history of the United States has a Territory paid its way from its first admission, let alone the large surplus accruing to the Government."

The names of the parties from Juneau now wintering in that section are as follows: Capt. Solomon of the schooner Adventure, J. C. Howard, J. W. Reed, F. H. Ward, Mr. Boss, B. Ripstein, Mr. Barber, Mike Deval, Mr. McAdams, D. Sprague, P. Cloudman, B. Boswell, Mr. Bartlett, Tom Dean and partner, Charles Crockett, and one man from Montana and three from the Yukon, who are wintering on the west branch of Copper river.

J. F. Millard, general manager of the Tacoma *Globe*, left for the East, leaving many numerous sorrowing creditors. He arrived there as a tramp printer early last year and ingratiated himself with Harry Morgan, proprietor of the *Daily Globe*, who is said to be a heavy loser by Millard.

FOREIGN DISPATCHES.

Hon. C. Tupper's Speech at Lord Onslow's Banquet—Mr. Bright's Relapse.

The Samoan Difficulty—Forced to Return—Parnell Commission, Etc.

By Postal Telegraph.]

London, Feb. 16—Sir Charles Tupper responded to "Our Colonial Empire" at the banquet to-night to Lord Onslow, the new Governor of New Zealand. He defended Canada and the other colonies for the charge of extravagance because of their large public debts. He said these debts were incurred in expenditures on the arts of peace and not on the arts of war and aided to build up wealthy colonies. Hence Canadian and other colonial securities occupied the highest place on the London Stock Exchange. Regarding rumored political changes in Canada Sir Charles Tupper said that the rumors much amused him. He earnestly hoped that the day was far distant when Sir John Macdonald would be replaced by another man. As to the rumors of a dissolution of the Canadian Parliament on the annexation question, he was convinced that the annexation of Canada by the United States would not be considered in our time. If Sir John Macdonald should ever be succeeded by a French Canadian no danger would arise to the intimate union of the Dominion with the Mother Land for the Queen had no more loyal or devoted subjects than the Canadians of French descent. The progress of Canada since Confederation had shown that while desirous of most friendly relations with the United States, Canada by no means is dependent upon the United States. No commercial or fiscal considerations operated in favor of such a union. On the contrary, he was absolutely confident that whatever political party might be in power Canadians would stand shoulder to shoulder in an emergency to defend and maintain the Empire. The speech was warmly applauded.

THE SAMOAN QUESTION.

London, Feb. 18—The Queen, in the speech from the throne on Thursday, will make especial reference to the Samoan situation, and request Parliament to grant funds immediately to increase the efficiency of the navy.

FORCED TO RETURN.

Zanzibar, Feb. 18—It is reported that messengers who were sent by Tippoo Tib with letters for Stanley, were maltreated by Arabs and forced to return. The messengers have taken another route.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION.

London, Feb. 18.—Lecaron, the informer, says he is prepared to face the consequences of his course in the Parnell case.

ELECTRIC LIGHT PATENTS.

London Feb. 18—A decision has been rendered by the Appeal Court, upholding the electric patents of Edison and Swan, against the Holland and Anglo-American Brush patents, thus reversing the decision of the lower court.

THE FRENCH CRISIS.

Paris, Feb. 18—The Chamber of Deputies met this afternoon and adjourned without the announcement of new ministry having been made. William Melines is at the Elysee in conference with President Carnot and statesmen who names have been connected with the new cabinet.

Paris, Feb. 18—A correspondent at San Salvador, Congo, says a courier has arrived from the west coast, who says that a report is current that Henry M. Stanley was killed in an engagement with natives.

STANLEY'S FATE.

London, Feb. 18—The evening papers here place no credence in the report of Stanley's death.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

News of the World Condensed Into Pithy Paragraphs.

John Carruthers, of Kingston, worth half a million dollars and a very liberal man, died on the 15th, aged 75 years.

Col. Ruth Goshen, the largest man Barnum ever had, died on the 12th, at Clyde, N. J. He had been ill with dropsy. He weighed 630 pounds when in good health.

In a message to the Dakota House Governor Church, on Saturday, attacked his predecessor bitterly and the legislature turned the attack with equal warmth. After sending his message the Governor closed his office, which was considered as a direct snub by the legislature then in session, and could not be found by the officers of the House. A resolution asking for his dismissal by the next president, it is said, will be introduced. Ex-auditor Caldwell who gave the legislature aid in showing mistakes made by the Governor in a previous message was met by the latter and a fight was threatened. The Governor intends to whip Caldwell the next time they meet.

It is rumored that the College of Physicians and Surgeons has decided to erase the name of Dr. Sir Morell Mackenzie from its rolls, and that its action will shortly be publicly announced.

The price of flour was raised 10 cents last week by Winnipeg dealers, and it is probable that a further advance will be made shortly. The upward tendency in wheat is the cause attributed.

The *Evening Mail* says it hears that Parnell's health has developed a very serious turn, and relatives entertain fears for his recovery.

It is rumored that the late Duchess of Galliera bequeathed to the Empress Frederick, of Germany, all the pearls and precious stones in her possession.

Charles Smith, the Cannelton, Ind., murderer, condemned to be hanged on March 22d, has made his escape from the jail here. One thousand dollars reward has been offered for his capture.

A novel shipment has been made here. It was a machine for the manufacture of ice, and thirteen cars were required to carry it. Its weight aggregates more than 300,000 pounds, and its cost was $36,000. It was made here and goes to Denver, Col.

Advices from Aden report that the Cossack expedition under Atchinoff hoisted the Russian flag at Sagolla. Under the Anglo French agreement Sagolla is French territory.

The details of the proposed excursion arranged by American merchants and others for an excursion of the Canadian legislature on a tour through the United States with a view to show them our resources and work up an annexation sentiment are about completed. It is expected that about 400 will accept and start from Buffalo about May. The intention is to run through the principal cities of the Middle, Southern and Eastern states, [illegible] Kansas City.

A special telegram from Tokio announces the assassination of Viscount Arinori Mori, minister of education, on the 11th inst., the day of promulgation of the new constitution. [illegible] was one of the most enlightened of Japanese statesmen. He was Japanese Minister at Washington in 1872, and the author of several works in English.

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A TOURISTS' HOTEL.

It will be learned with a great deal of satisfaction by Victorians that a scheme is on foot to erect a mammoth summer hotel, beautifully located, in this city. That an enterprise so necessary to the prosperity of the city will be encouraged, goes without saying. It is one of the things that Victoria must have. To keep up with her neighbors she must have not only a street railway, but every other attraction that her neighbors possess, and more if possible. All the other cities of the coast have several first-class hotels.

ELECTION LAW AMENDMENT.

The act to "Amend the Election Regulations Act," while it has the merit of reading well, is possessed of imperfections which should be eliminated. We have nothing to suggest in regard to the proposed amendment, for the reason that legislators, in common with their constituents, are fully alive to the necessity of a pure ballot and correct returns, and consequently will exercise all of their ingenuity in devising an amendment which shall reduce the chances of tampering with ballot boxes to a minimum. The imperfection of the proposed amendment is that there is nothing in it to prevent half a dozen men from controlling the result of the vote of an election. It is not to be supposed that the interested parties (the candidates) will have agents on hand at every polling place to watch the returning officer, nor can we assure ourselves that there will not be collusion between the Returning Officer and Polling Clerk; and in fact for that matter there might be collusion between the Returning Officer and Polling Clerk, the candidates agents, and the electors who are supposed to be present during the counting of the votes. Presupposing that all men are honest, and Deputy Returning Officers in particular, the bill is eminently satisfactory and for that matter may be made to work as it stands in large polling precincts. But in the event of a closely contested election, such as we may look for in this province at no very distant day, the amendment in question does not hinder the purchase of small outlying precincts, with comparative ease. A hundred or so votes purchased through the venality of one or more returning officers and their confederate, would materially effect the result of a closely contested election, with the advantage, besides, that it would be cheaper for the purchaser and attended with less danger than when bribery to be effictual must extend to the greater proportion of the voters in the precinct. The proposed amendment is good enough as far as it goes, but it does not obviate the consequences attending the loss or tampering with the ballot-box while in transit to its destination. The chances of rascality are to be guarded against more closely than dangers by "flood and field" and the seductions of "John Barleycorn." Now that the amendment has been laid over with a view to remedying its imperfections, it is to be hoped that the parties interested will be equal to the emergency and furnish the province with an example of election regulations so perfect as to preclude knavery and at the same time so simple that every elector in the province can understand it.

AN OPINION ON REDUCTION WORKS.

Donald Truth, which generally gives a correct opinion on all subjects, and especially on mining matters, has the following on the subject of the provincial test works: "Kootenay district has been promised an appropriation for a smelter, and three of its towns are squabbling for its location. Truth believes that money appropriated for any such purpose is that much money thrown away. Smelters and reduction works will be built in Kootenay as soon as the ore output is sufficiently large to warrant the investment. Let the government make liberal appropriations for roads, bridges, and trails, but keep their hands entirely off the smelter business. At the last session of the legislature a liberal appropriations was made to build two test works in the Cariboo district. A government assayer, named MARTIN, was appointed to supervise the erection of the works. Mr. MARTIN may be a very good assayer, but it is doubtful if he is a practical mill or smelter man. As proof that he has probably expended part of the liberal appropriation made by the legislature foolishly the following from the official proceedings of the present legislative session is given: "Mr. BEAVEN gave notice that a select committee be appointed to inquire into the manner in which the authorities granted to the executive council to aid in the development of quartz mines has been exercised."

The inquiry will, undoubtedly, develop the following facts: 1—That the works erected are all right theoretically, but no good practically. 2—That the money expended has been wasted. 3—That the mines of that section are not sufficiently developed to keep even small reduction works in operation.

So far as the writer knows, and he has a pretty fair knowledge of mining operations as carried on in the United States, no state nor territory has undertaken to erect and run reduction works, they leaving that business entirely to private parties. The result has been, reduction works were erected by private parties as as soon as the development of a camp justified it. And it will be the same in Kootenay district.

Suppose a smelter was ready for operation at either Revelstoke or Golden on May 1st next, where would the supply of ore come from to keep it running steadily? Claimowners may say they have so much ore on their dumps, but saying and having it are two different things. There is no question of the existence of good prospects in the districts adjacent to the these two villages; but mere prospects will not keep even a 10-ton smelter running continuously, and it cost almost as much to run a 10-ton smelter as it does one of sixty tons capacity; therefore, it costs just that much more for smelting charges in the smaller one.

The gentleman who represents this district in the legislature will act wisely if he does not ask for an appropriation for reduction-works for the district; but will act wisely to ask for and secure liberal appropriations for wagon roads to the mining camps that promise well. He will also act wisely if he can induce the government, of which he is a supporter, to change its methods of building the roads, that is, do away with incompetent foremen and day work, and let the jobs by contract. The chances are, then, that the roads will be built for less money; and it is a sure thing they would be completed in time to be of some use to the original locators of claims in the districts benefited.

INTERESTING CORRESPONDENCE.

A Victoria correspondent of the News-Advertiser who writes a readable, gossipy letter to his paper, deals as a would-be expected with things in general, but pays particular attention to the legislature and to local musical matters. He says: "Victoria is assuredly developing her latent musical talent this winter," and Vancouver is invited to join us in a friendly duet. The following reference to prayers in the legislature is not uninteresting:

"The House of Legislature resumed its labors on Monday afternoon, when prayers were read by Bishop Cridge. It is interesting to note the order of clerical precedence. How is it arranged we wonder? All is amicable to the view, but is there no heart-burnings behind the scenes? The Church of England leads off in the person of her highest available dignitary, and its followed by the reformed branch. This tribute of honor to the State Church of the Mother Country we will willingly yield; but who will follow? Will it be a Presbyterian, a Methodist or a Baptist minister or will be a priest of the most venerable of Christian churches? Will they draw lots for the distinctions, or will brotherly love be strong enough to make each wish to give place to the other? The incidents of our every-day life offer plenty of opportunities for the exercise of the virtues which are so constantly extolled in our pulpits."

THANKS TO THE PUBLIC.

The following communication in reference to the Government land sale held at Vancouver last fall, appears in the News-Advertiser, and does not say very much for the methods by which the Government sometimes get praise for themselves:

SIR,—The card headed "Grateful Settlers," and appearing in your issue of the 27th Oct. last, is not the card authorized to be signed for us. A card was drawn up which we approved of, to the following effect.

"Vancouver, 23rd Oct., 1888.

"We, the undersigned settlers, beg to tender our thanks to the public attending the Government land sale this afternoon, for the honorable stand taken by them in allowing us to get our lots at the upset price."

This card was left with a gentleman, (in whom we had confidence) to sign for us, and get it inserted in your issue of the 24th Oct. last. * * * * * After three days it appeared, thanking the Government for putting us to great expense and trouble, and then offering our lots and improvements for sale at public auction.

By inserting this in your columns you will confer a favor on the following grateful settlers.

James Rea,	H. S. Rowling,
Wm. H. Rowling,	J. W. Rowling,
John Wiggins,	John Wollard,
A. H. Byram,	P. Byrne.

THE SAMOAN COFFERENCE.

The Samoan Conference to be held at Berlin will be conducted by Messrs. BISMARCK and COLEMAN CHAPMAN, the latter the first Secretary of American Legation. The sublime confidence Secretary BAYARD reposes in his Secretary of Legation seems to justify the verdict of American newspapers, that the former as Secretary of State is a conspicuous failure. The Samoa affair is none of our funeral, but the sight of an American pigmy pitted against the German collosus is almost pathetic. We are not to suppose, however, that anything is left to Mr. COLEMAN'S discretion. He has received his instructions, and to BISMARCK'S propositions he will confine himself to assent and dissent as the case may require. So far as Mr. COLEMAN'S functions are concerned, as a negotiator, he represents for the States scarcely more than an ultimatum, and BISMARCK, doubtless, so regarding him will shape his pretensions accordingly.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The estimates for Ontario propose the following expenditure: Current expenditures, $2,628,515; on capital account, $557,815; other purposes, $25,557; total, $3,211,910.

Sir John says that it is not the intention of the Government to introduce legislation this season conferring upon the Territories the same powers of Government as prevails in the Provinces.

A movement is on foot in Ontario to unite the two temperance organizations, the Independent Order of Good Templars and the Royal Templars of Temperance. The combined strength of the two would be nearly 20,000.

Leprosy is dying out in Canada. The report of the Minister of Agriculture shows that there are 19 patients in Lazaretto Tracadie, N. B. In its early history the institution contained twice the present number of lepers.

A company is being organized in Ottawa for the purpose of loaning money to farmers. Those accepting loans must take a life insurance policy, and as the money is paid back it is applied on premium. They secure the advantage of life insurance with the loan. The headquarters will be in Winnipeg.

Canadian cities may soon have to seriously discuss how to dispose of sewage by other methods than by emptying it into convenient rivers and harbors. London, Ont., has been fined a thousand dollars at the instance of a private individual, for sending its sewage into the Thames. The London Free Press says it will cost London three million dollars to re-arrange its sewage system so as to dispose of the sewage otherwise, and the city does not quite know what to do about it.

In the commons, the attention of the Government was directed to a cablegram from London stating that DeCaron, in his evidence before the Parnell commission had said that he had been for years and was now in the secret service of the Canadian Government. Sir John replied that he never met LeCaron, never corresponded with him and never paid him anything. "Has the Government," Mr. Mills asked, "any persons employed in such service as LeCaron says he was engaged?" "They have not," Sir John replied.

Pope Leo XIII. derives his revenue from three sources. One is the interest of the vast sum left by Pious IX. in the Pontifical treasury, invested chiefly in English consols. This interest amounts to $625,000 a year. Another source is the Peter's pence contribution, which, in spite of the very great reduction in late years, averages about $415,000 annually. The third source is the Apostolic Chancery, the receipts of which include sums received for titles and decorations, privileges of the altar, private chapels, etc., and aggregate about $520,000 a year. The entire annual income of Leo XIII., therefore, is about $1,560,000.

The Minister of Militia will introduce a measure amending the Militia Act. It provides that hereafter when a requisition signed by three magistrates is made for assistance to local corps, the municipality in which the disturbance is in progress, must deposit with the Lieut.-Governor of the province such sum of money as will pay the expenses, failing which and the corps going into service the government will be empowered to stop from the provincial subsidy the amount of their sustenance. There is also a provision that permanent corps cannot be called out without the direct sanction of the Minister of Militia.

A fine thing is a sugar combine. Through its operation the Nova Scotia sugar refinery made $213,000 of profits last year on a capital of about $300,000. Dividends and a bonus amounting to twenty-five per cent. on the money invested were paid to the stockholders, and $150,000 added to the rest account. The shares are now held at three times their face value. Does any sane man pretend that seventy-one per cent. profits can be legitimately made in the business of refining sugar? Not at all; but through the sugar "combine" and the advantages given by the present tariff the refiners are able to force the consumers of the Dominion to pay exorbitant prices for an inferior quality of sugar. Hence the high profits and large dividends.

In the Post office Department several additions are to be made to the outside staff. Assistant Inspectors are to be appointed for Ottawa, Stratford, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia divisions. The cost will be $6,700. It has also been decided to continue the reduced allowance to postal employees in the Northwest and British Columbia. When the clerk's objected last summer to a reduction from 40 per cent extra salary to 20 per cent they were asked to submit a report giving particulars as to the cost of living to bear out their claims. So far, the despatch says, no report has been received by the government, and consequently the allowance has not been restored. This is a mistake as we are informed reports were sent from this city showing the difference in the cost of living here and in the east, and also the differences in salaries paid to other employees.

In the House of Commons on Thursday, Mr. Jamieson, of North Lanark, brought up a resolution that in the opinion of the House, it is expedient to prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors except for sacramental, medical, scientific and mechanical purposes; that the enforcement of such prohibition and such manufacture, importation and sale as may be allowed, shall be by the Dominion Government through specially appointed officials. Mr. Fisher, of Brome, seconded the resolution. Mr. Wood, of Brockville, moved an amendment that when the country was ripe for prohibition it should be enacted. Mr. Taylor, of Leeds and Granville, moved an amendment to the amendment that a plebiscite should be taken on the matter, and in the case of prohibition carrying provision should be made for those engaged in the manufacture of liquor. There was a little discussion, and finally the debate was adjourned, as the resolution goes to the foot of the order paper it may not be reached for some days. There is no prospect of its passing the House.

Henderson's New Directory.

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NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

BETWEEN JOSEPH BOSCOWITZ, Plaintiff, AND JAMES WARREN, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT AN Order has been made in the above entitled action, by the Hon. Sir Matthew B. Begbie, C.J., appointing James C. Prevost Receiver of all the Estate and Effects of the above named defendant, to take possession of the real estate and receive and collect the personal estate, and to manage and conduct his business, and to restrain the defendant and all other persons from interfering with him as such Receiver.

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WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office, February 14. 1889. f14td

MUNICIPAL.

ALL RESIDENTS IN THE CITY who have CELLARS beneath their houses are hereby respectfully requested to send a return to the City Surveyor, Mr. P. J. Leach, stating the POSITION and DEPTH thereof, at their earliest convenience to assist in determining the drainage-depth that will be necessary in each case.

By order

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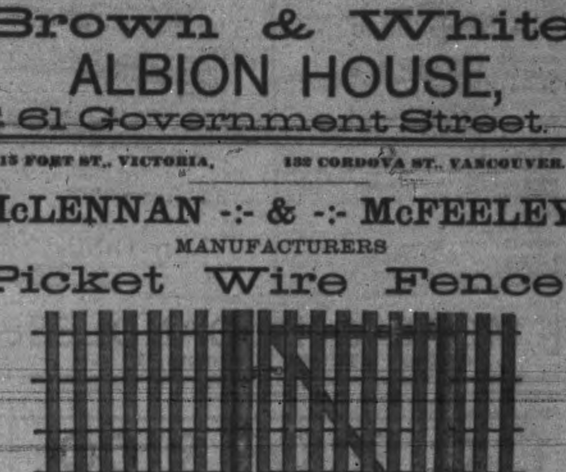

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CHAPTER XIX.

THE VERDICT OF THE JURY.

It is needless to say that the court next morning was crowded, and numbers were unable to gain admission. The news that Sal Rawlins, who alone could prove the innocence of the prisoner, had been found, and would appear in court that morning, had spread like wildfire, and the acquittal of the prisoner was confidently expected by a large number of sympathizing friends, who seemed to have sprung up on all sides, like mushrooms, in a single night.

When the prisoner was brought in a murmur of sympathy ran through the crowded court, so ill and worn out he looked; but Calton was puzzled to account for the expression of his face, so different from that of a man whose life had been saved, or, rather, was going to be saved, for in truth it was a foregone conclusion.

"You know who stole those papers," he thought, as he looked at Fitzgerald keenly, "and the man who did so is the murderer of Whyte."

The judge having entered and the court being opened, Calton arose to make his speech, and stated in a few words the line of defense he intended to take.

He would first call Albert Dendy, a watchmaker, to prove that on Thursday night, at 8 o'clock in the evening, he called at the prisoner's lodgings while the landlady was out, and while there had put the kitchen clock right and had regulated the same. He would also call Felix Rolleston, a friend of the prisoner's, to prove that the prisoner was not in the habit of wearing rings, and frequently expressed his detestation of such a custom. Sebastian Brown, a waiter at the Melbourne club, would be called to prove that on Thursday night a letter was delivered to the prisoner at the club by one Sarah Rawlins, and that the prisoner left the club shortly before 1 o'clock on Friday morning. He would also call Sarah Rawlins to prove that she had delivered a note to Sebastian Brown for the prisoner, at the Melbourne club, at a quarter to 12 on Thursday night, and that at a few minutes past 1 o'clock on Friday morning she had conducted the prisoner to a slum off Little Rourke street, and that he was there between 1 and 2 on Friday morning, the hour at which the murder was alleged to have taken place. This being his defense to the charge brought against the prisoner, he would call Albert Dendy.

Albert Dendy, duly sworn, stated:

I am a watchmaker, and carry on business in Fitzroy. I remember Thursday, the 26th of July last. On the evening of that day I called at Powlett street, East Melbourne, to see my aunt, who is the landlady of the prisoner. She was out at the time I called, and I waited in the kitchen till her return. I looked at the kitchen clock to see if it was too late to wait, and then at my watch. I found that the clock was ten minutes fast, upon which I put it right, and regulated it properly.

Calton—At what time did you put it right?

Witness—About 8 o'clock.

Calton—Between that time and 2 in the morning, was it possible for the clock to gain ten minutes?

Witness—No, it was not possible.

Calton—Would it gain at all?

Witness—Not between 8 and 2 o'clock—the time was not long enough.

Calton—Did you see your aunt that night?

Witness—Yes, I waited till she came in.

Calton—And did you tell her you had put the clock right?

Witness—No, I did not; I forgot all about it.

Calton—Then she was still under the impression that it was ten minutes fast?

Witness—Yes, I suppose so.

After Dendy had been cross-examined Felix Rolleston was called, and deposed as follows:

I am an intimate friend of the prisoner. I have known him for five or six years, and I never saw him wearing a ring during that time. He has frequently told me he did not care for rings, and would never wear them.

In cross-examination:

Crown Prosecutor—You have never seen the prisoner wearing a diamond ring?

Witness—No, never.

Crown Prosecutor—Have you ever seen any such ring in his possession?

Witness—No, I have seen him buying rings for ladies, but I never saw him with any ring such as a gentleman would wear.

Crown Prosecutor—Not even a seal ring?

Witness—No, not even a seal ring.

Sarah Rawlins was then placed in the witness box, and, after being sworn, deposed:

I know the prisoner. I delivered a letter addressed to him at the Melbourne club, at a quarter to 12 o'clock on Thursday, 26th July. I did not know what his name was. He met me shortly after 1, at the corner of Russell and Bourke streets, where I had been told to wait for him. I took him to my grandmother's place, in a lane off Little Bourke street. There was a dying woman there, who had sent for him. He went in and saw her for about twenty minutes, and then I took him back to the corner of Bourke and Russell streets. I heard the three-quarters strike shortly after I left him.

Crown Prosecutor—You are quite certain that the prisoner was the man you met on that night?

Witness—Quite certin', s'elp me G—.

Crown Prosecutor—And he met you a few minutes past 1 o'clock?

Witness—Yes, 'bout five minutes; I 'eard the clock a-strikin' I just afore he came down the street, and when I leaves 'im agin, it were about twenty-five to 2, 'cause it took me ten minutes to git 'ome, and I 'eard the clock go three-quarters just as I gets to the door.

Crown Prosecutor—How do you know it was exactly twenty-five to 2 when you left him?

Witness—'Cause I sawr the clocks. I left 'im at the corner of Russell street, and comes down Bourke street, so I could see the post-office clock as plain as day, an' when I gets into Swanton street, I looks at the town 'all premiscus like, and see the same time there.

Crown Prosecutor—And you never lost sight of the prisoner the whole time?

Witness—No; there was only one door by the room, an' I was a-sittin' outside it, an' when he comes out he falls over me.

Crown Prosecutor—Were you asleep?

Witness—Not a blessed wink.

Calton then directed Sebastian Brown to be called, who deposed:

I know the prisoner. He is a member of the Melbourne club, at which I am a waiter. I remember Thursday, 26th July. On that night the last witness came with a letter to the prisoner. It was about a quarter to 12. She just gave it to me, and went away. I delivered it to Mr. Fitzgerald. He left the club at about ten minutes to 1.

This closed the evidence for the defense, and after the crown prosecutor had made his speech, in which he pointed out the strong evidence against the prisoner, Calton arose to address the jury. He was a fine speaker, and made a splendid defense. Not a single point escaped him, and that brilliant piece of oratory is still remembered and spoken of admiringly in the purlieus of Temple court and Chancery lane.

He began by giving a vivid description of the circumstances of the murder—of the meeting of the murderer and his victim in Collins street East—the cab driving down to St. Kilda—the getting out of the cab of the murderer after committing the crime—and the way in which he had secured himself against pursuit. Having thus enchained the attention of the jury by the graphic manner in which he described the crime, he pointed out that the evidence brought forward by the prosecution was purely circumstantial, and that they had utterly failed to identify the man who entered the cab with the prisoner in the dock. The supposition that the prisoner and the man in the light coat being one and the same person rested solely upon the evidence of the cabman, Royston, who, though not intoxicated, was, judging from his own statements, not in a fit state to distinguish between the man who hailed the cab and the man who got in. The crime was committed by means of chloroform; therefore, if the prisoner was guilty, he must have purchased the chloroform in some shop or obtained it from some friends. At all events, the prosecution had not brought forward a single piece of evidence to show how and where the chloroform was obtained. With regard to the glove belonging to the murdered man found in the prisoner's pocket, he picked it up off the ground at the time when he first met Whyte, when the deceased was lying drunk near the Scotch church. Certainly there was no evidence to show that the prisoner had picked it up before the deceased entered the cab, but, on the other hand, there was no evidence to show that it had been picked up in the cab. It was far more likely that the glove, and especially a white glove, would be picked up under the light of the lamp near the Scotch church, where it was easily noticeable, than in the darkness of a cab, where there was very little room, and where it would be quite dark, as the blinds were drawn down. The cabman, Royston, swore positively that the man who got out of his cab on the St. Kilda road wore a diamond ring on the forefinger of his right hand, and the cabman, Rankin, swore to the same thing about the man who got out at Powlett street. Against this could be placed the evidence of one of the prisoner's most intimate friends—one who had seen him almost daily for the last five years, and he had sworn positively that the prisoner never was in the habit of wearing rings. The cabman, Rankin, had also sworn that the man who entered his cab on the St. Kilda road alighted at Powlett street, East Melbourne, at 2 o'clock on Friday morning, as he heard that hour strike from the postoffice clock, whereas the evidence of the prisoner's landlady showed plainly that he entered the house five minutes previously, and her evidence was further supported by that of the watchmaker, Dendy. Mrs. Sampson saw the hand of her kitchen clock point to five minutes to 2, and, thinking it was ten minutes slow, told the detective the prisoner did not enter the house till five minutes past 2, which would just give the man who alighted from the cab, presuming him to have been the prisoner, sufficient time to walk up to his lodgings. The evidence of the watchmaker, Dendy, however, showed clearly that he had put the clock right at the hour of 8 on Thursday night; that it was impossible for it to gain ten minutes before 2 on Friday morning, and, therefore, the time, five minutes to 2, seen by the landlady, was the correct one, and the prisoner was in the house five minutes before the other man alighted from the cab in Powlett street. These points in themselves were sufficient to show that the prisoner was innocent, but the evidence of the woman Rawlins must prove conclusively to the jury that the prisoner was not the man who committed the crime. The witness Brown had proved that the woman Rawlins had delivered a letter to him, which he gave to the prisoner, and that the prisoner left the club, personally, to keep the appointment spoken of in the letter, which letter, or rather the remains of it, had been put in evidence. The woman Rawlins swore that the prisoner met her at the corner of Russell and Bourke streets, and had gone with her to one of the back slums, there to see the writer of the letter. She also proved that at the time of the committal of the crime the prisoner was still in the back slum, by the bed of the dying woman, and, there being only one door to the room, could not possibly have left without the witness seeing him. The woman Rawlins further proved that she left the prisoner at the corner of Russell and Bourke streets at twenty-five minutes to 2 o'clock, which was five minutes before Royston drove his cab up to the St. Kilda police station, with the dead body inside. Finally, the woman Rawlins proved her words by stating that she saw both the postoffice and town hall clocks; and supposing the prisoner started from the corner of Bourke and Russell streets, as she says he did, he would reach East Melbourne in twenty minutes, which made it five minutes to 2 on Friday morning, the time at which, according to the landlady's statement, he entered the house. All the evidence given by the different witnesses agreed completely, and formed a chain which showed the whole of the prisoner's movements at the time of the committal of the murder. Therefore, it was absolutely impossible that the murder could have been committed by the man in the dock. The strongest piece of evidence brought forward by the prosecution was that of the witness Hableton, who swore that the prisoner used threats against the life of the deceased. But the language was merely the outcome of a passionate Irish nature, and was not sufficient to prove the crime to have been committed by the prisoner. The defense which the prisoner set up was that of an alibi, and the evidence of the witnesses for the defense proved conclusively that the prisoner could not, and did not, commit the murder. Finally, Calton wound up his elaborate and exhaustive speech, which lasted for over two hours, by a brilliant peroration, calling upon the jury to base their verdict upon the plain facts of the case, and if they did so they could hardly fail in bringing in a verdict of "not guilty."

When Calton sat down a subdued murmur of applause was heard, which was instantly suppressed, and the judge began to sum up, which he did strongly in favor of Fitzgerald. The jury then retired, and immediately there was a dead silence in the crowded court—an unnatural silence, such as must have fallen on the blood loving Roman populace when they saw the Christian martyrs kneeling on the hot yellow sands of the arena, and watched the long, lithe forms of lion and panther creeping stealthily toward their prey. The hour being late, the gas had been lighted, and there was a sickly glare through the wide hall, which added to the singularity of the scene. Fitzgerald had been taken out of court on the retiring of the jury, but the spectators stared steadily at the empty dock, which seemed to enchain them by some indescribable fascination. They conversed among themselves only in whispers, until even the whispering ceased, and nothing could be heard but the steady ticking of the clock, and now and then the quick drawn breath of some timid onlooker. Suddenly a woman, whose nerves were overstrung, shrieked, and the cry rang weirdly through the crowded hall. She was taken out, and again there was silence, every eye being now fixed on the door through which the jury would reissue with their verdict of life or death. The hands of the clock moved slowly round—a quarter—a half—three quarters—and then the hour sounded with a silvery ring which startled every one. Madge, sitting with her hands tightly clasped together, began to fear that her highly strung nerves would give way. "My God," she muttered softly to herself, "will this suspense never end?"

Just then the door opened, and the jury re-entered. The prisoner was again placed in the dock, and the judge again resumed his seat, this time with the black cap in his pocket, as every one guessed.

The usual formalities were gone through, and when the foreman of the jury stood up every neck was craned forward, and every ear was on the alert to catch the words that fell from his lips. The prisoner flushed a little, and then grew pale as death, giving a quick, nervous glance at the quiet figure in black, of which he could just catch a glimpse. Then came in the verdict, sharp and decisive, "Not guilty."

On hearing this a cheer went up from every one in the court, so strong was the sympathy with Brian.

In vain the crier of the court yelled, "Order!" until he was red in the face. In vain the judge threatened to commit all present for contempt of court—his voice being inaudible, it did not matter much—the enthusiasm could not be restrained, and it was five minutes before order was obtained. The judge, having recovered his composure, delivered his judgment and discharged the prisoner in accordance with the verdict. Calton had won many cases, but it is questionable if he had ever heard a verdict which gave him so much satisfaction as that which proclaimed Fitzgerald innocent.

"I knew that God would save you."

And Brian, stepping down from the dock a free man, passed through a crowd of congratulating friends to a small room off the court, where a woman was waiting for him—a woman who clung round his neck, and sobbed out:

"My darling! My darling! I knew that God would save you."

CHAPTER XX.

THE ARGUS GIVES ITS OPINION.

The morning after the trial was concluded the following article in reference to the matter appeared in The Argus:

"During the past three months we have frequently in our columns commented on the extraordinary case which is now so widely known as 'The Hansom Cab Tragedy.' We can safely say that it is the most remarkable case which has ever come under the notice of our criminal court, and the verdict given by the jury yesterday has enveloped the matter in a still deeper mystery. By a train of strange coincidences, Mr. Brian Fitzgerald, a young squatter, was suspected of having murdered Whyte, and had it not been for the timely appearance of the woman Rawlins, who turned up at the eleventh hour, we feel sure that a verdict of guilty would have been given, and an innocent man would have suffered punishment for the crime of another. Fortunately for the prisoner, and for the interests of justice, his counsel, Mr. Calton, by unwearied diligence, was able to discover the last witness and prove an alibi. Had it not been for this, in spite of the remarks made by the learned counsel in his brilliant speech yesterday, which resulted in the acquittal of the prisoner, we question very much if the rest of the evidence in favor of the accused would have been sufficient to persuade the jury that he was an innocent man. The only points in favor of Mr. Fitzgerald were the inability of the cabman Royston to swear to him as the man who had got into the cab with Whyte, the wearing of a diamond ring on the forefinger of the right hand (whereas Mr. Fitzgerald wears no rings), and the difference in time sworn to by the cabman Rankin and the landlady. Against these points, however, the prosecution placed a mass of evidence, which seemed to conclusively prove the guilt of the prisoner; but the appearance of Sal Rawlins in the witness box put an end to all doubt. In language that could not be mistaken for anything else than the truth, she positively swore that Mr. Fitzgerald was in one of the slums off Bourke street between the hours of 1 and 2 on Friday morning, at which time the murder was committed. Under these circumstances, the jury unanimously agreed in the verdict, "Not guilty," and the prisoner was forthwith acquitted. We have to congratulate his counsel, Mr Calton, for the able speech he made for the defense, and also Mr. Fitzgerald, for his providential escape from a dishonorable and undeserved punishment. He leaves the court without a stain on his character, and with the respect and sympathy of all Australians, for the courage and dignity with which he comported himself throughout, while resting under the shadow of such a serious charge.

"But now that it has been conclusively proved that he is innocent, the question arises in every one's mind, 'Who is the murderer of Oliver Whyte?' The man who committed this dastardly crime is still at large, and, for all we know, may be in our midst.

"There seems to be no possible clew discoverable at present which can lead to the discovery of the real murderer. The man in the light coat who got out of Rankin's cab at Powlett street, East Melbourne (designedly, as it now appears, in order to throw suspicion on Fitzgerald), has vanished as completely as the witches in 'Macbeth,' and left no trace behind. It was 2 o'clock in the morning when he left the cab, and, in a quiet suburb like East Melbourne, no one would be about, so that he could easily escape unseen. There seems to be only one chance of ever tracing him, and that is to be found in the papers which were stolen from the pocket of the dead man. What they were, only two persons knew, and one knows now. The first two were Whyte and the woman who was called 'The Queen,' and both of them are now dead. The other who knows now is the man who committed the crime. There can be no doubt in the minds of our readers that these papers were the motive of the crime, as no money was taken from the pockets of the deceased. The fact, also, that the papers were carried in a pocket made inside the waistcoat of the deceased shows that they were of value.

"Now, the reason we think that the dead woman knew of the existence of those papers is simply this: It appears that she came out from England with Whyte as his mistress, and after staying some time in Sydney came on to Melbourne. How she came into such a foul and squalid den as that she died in, we are unable to say, unless, seeing that she was given to drink, she was taken up drunk by some Samaritan of the slums and carried to Mrs. Rawlins' humble abode. Whyte visited her there frequently, but appears to have made no attempt to remove her to a better place, alleging, as his reason, that the doctor said she would die if taken into the air. Our reporter learned from one of the detectives that the dead woman was in the habit of talking to Whyte about certain papers, and on one occasion was overheard to say to him: 'They'll make your fortune if you play your cards well.' This was told to the detective by the woman Rawlins, to whose providential appearance Mr. Fitzgerald owes his escape. From this it can be gathered that the papers—whatever they might be—were of value, and sufficient to tempt another to commit a murder in order to obtain them. Whyte, therefore, being dead, and his murderer escaped, the only way of discovering the secret which lies at the root of this tree of crime is to find out the history of the woman who died in the slum. Traced back for some years, circumstances may be discovered which will reveal what these papers contained, and once that is found, we can confidently say that the murderer will soon be discovered. This is the only chance of finding out the cause and the author of this mysterious murder; and if it fails, we fear the hansom cab tragedy will have to be relegated to the list of those undiscovered crimes, and the assassin of Whyte will have no other punishment than the remorse of his own conscience."

[To be continued.]

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A reporter found Prof. Pasteur in the magnificent building of the Institute Pasteur in Rue Rotal, which public subscription erected in honor of and as a home for the great scientist.

"Yes," said he with a pleasant smile, "I think you will be able to give pleasant news to the New World. My able assistants, Drs. Roux and Yersiro, have discovered the germ of the terrible disease diphtheria, which so ravages in the winter your large cities, I believe in more virulent form than it does any other part part of the world. Taking the morbid tissue from the throat of a victim several animals have been inoculated with it and all died in due course with the disease, having the objective symptoms of diphtheria—that terrible destroyer of child life. So far so good.

"But the opponents of the animalculic theory in epidemic diseases then said that these experiments only showed the terrible virulence of the original poison. To answer this my young scientific assistants, by means of a glass tub cultivated to the hundredth power, diluted the morbid tissue to an infinitesimal amount. The germ was then taken from the last crop and a rabbit was inoculated, which immediately died as quickly as the first victim in the cause of science, before dilution.

"This is how we stand: We have found the deadly germ, but we have not yet secured a prodhylatic for a cure or prevention. My confreres are now at work solving the problem, and from their success so far in this original field of research, I have little doubt that the inoculating fluid will be forthcoming. We have virus bottled and corked. We can give any number of rabbits and dogs diphtheria, and kill them as effectually as though they caught it first hand in the regular course of events. We have not, however, succeeded in getting attenuated virus, and so cannot inoculate.

"I wish you would lay great stress upon this point, because I know the wonderful receptivity of the American people for news and ideas, and I am afraid whole shiploads will be coming over to secure by a visit to the Institute Pasteur immunity from diphtheritic affections. Tell them, please, we are not ready for business yet, but perhaps will be in the summer."

As the reporter turned to leave Pasteur, he made an inspection of the glass tubes filled with the deadly germs, microbes or bacilli of the many diseases which flesh is heir to. Pasteur remarked with a smile, "Our children are in luck. It will be much pleasanter to live in the twentieth century, when epidemics will be done away with."

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C. E. RENOUF,
JNO. NICHOLLES.

Victoria B. C., February 2nd 1889. fe8-2m

NOTICE.

Mining Review.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA MONTHLY AND MINING REVIEW is, and will be, devoted chiefly to the Economic interests of the Province, including Quartz, Placer and Coal Mining, Timber, Fisheries, Agriculture, Banking and the General Commercial and Manufacturing Interests. All who wish to assist, more properly, co-operate with us, in developing British Columbia interests will now have an opportunity; and if they do not accept it, and can we will be inclined to place them among non-progressionists. We will do our part, and endeavor to do it well; let the public do theirs. fe5

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8. Water Lots 19, 20, 21 and 22, (Savona's), and the Brewery thereon.

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NOTICE.

Estate of John Cuthbert, deceased.

ALL DEBTORS TO THE ESTATE ARE requested to pay their accounts, and all creditors of the estate to present their claims, forthwith, to Mrs. Cuthbert, the executrix of the will of the deceased, or to

J. ROLAND HETT, Barrister-at-Law.

Victoria, January 22nd 1889. ja22tf

NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

J. BOSCOWITZ vs. T. H. COOPER.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT UNDER and by virtue of two orders made by the Honorable Sir Matthew B. Begbie, Chief Justice, dated respectively the 21st and 25th day of January, 1889, the undersigned has been appointed Receiver and Manager of the steamship "Barbara Boscowitz" to manage and conduct the business of the said steamship and to receive any money for freight or otherwise due, or to become due, in respect of the said steamship.

JAMES C. PREVOST, Receiver.

Dated, 28th January, 1889. j28-1m

NOTICE.

I HEREBY FORBID ANY PERSON GIVING credit to any one on my account without my written order. J. BOSCOWITZ. jan19-tf

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN APPLICATION will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate the Christian Temperance Co-operative Commonwealth, for the purpose of establishing settlements on Malcom Island and other lands in the Province.

F. JOSEPH SPENCER.

Dated at Victoria, the 14th January, 1889.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT ALL powers of attorney given by me, to any person in this Province have been revoked; and that no one in the Province has authority to act as attorney-in-fact for me. J. BOSCOWITZ.

Dated, Victoria, January 22nd 1889. ja22tf

NOTICE.

Estate of Thomas Inge, deceased.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE above estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present the same to THORNTON FELL, Solicitor for the Executors.

Victoria, 4th October, 1888. oct5tf

NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

BETWEEN JOHN CAMERON, Plaintiff, AND THADDEUS HARPER, Defendant.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT AN Order has been made in the above entitled action, by the Hon. Sir Matthew B. Begbie, C. J., appointing James C. Prevost and Henry S. Mason to be Recievers of all the Estate and Effects of the above named defendant, to take possession of the real estate and recieve and collect the personal estate, and to manage and conduct his business, and to restrain the defendant and all other persons from interfering with them as such Receivers.

JAMES C. PREVOST.
HENRY S. MASON.

Dated, Victoria, Dec. 20 1888. de21

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN APPLICATION will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for a Private Bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of acquiring lands in the Province, the manufacture and exportation of lumber and articles made of wood, and for general trading, with all necessary powers.

CHARLES WILSON, Solicitor for the Applicants.

Dated the 12th day of January, 1889. j14

NOTICE OF PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for an Act to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing and operating a line of STREET RAILWAY in the Districts of Esquimalt, Victoria and Lake, connecting with the Street Railway system of the City of Victoria, on the following routes: Victoria to Cadboro and Oak Bays; Victoria to Esquimalt Town; Victoria to the Royal Oak Hotel in Lake District; Victoria to Craigflower Bridge; Victoria to the Gorge, and from thence by the Craigflower Road back to Victoria; and to such other point or points as may be deemed advisable. The said Street Railway line to run along the usual highways to the foregoing points.

EBERTS & TAYLOR, Agents for the Applicants.

Victoria, Dec. 18 1888. de21

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT APplication will be made to the Legislature of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for a Private Bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping and maintaining a Railway from a convenient point on the eastern boundary of the Province to the northern terminus of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway on Vancouver Island via Yellowstone Pass, Cariboo and Bute Inlet; with power to construct and maintain branch lines, to construct and operate telegraph and telephone lines, to build and operate steam and other vessels, and generally to do all things conducive or incidental to the attainment of the above purpose or any of them; and for a grant of land in aid of the proposed enterprise.

CHARLES WILSON, Solicitor for the Applicants.

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Estate of Thomas Thompson, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ABOVE estate are requested to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons having any claims against the said estate are requested to forward the same duly proved to JAMES C. PREVOST, Administrator.

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CITY AND PROVINCE.

—Ladies "K" Boots at Erskine's Boot and Shoe Emporium, corner Government and Johnson streets. •

—H. J. Creswell, architect of Bastion square, has been doing some very pretty illuminated work of late.

—Mr. T. L. Davies, of Nanaimo, has received news of the death of his father in Carmanthenshire, Wales.

—Fresh Oysters at the New England Bakery. Delivered to all parts of the city. Telephone No. 161. •

—Pendray & Co. are turning out a superior quality of Carbolic Soap. Every householder should use it. •

—The Winnipeg street car company are considering the advisability of running the cars by electricity.

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—A proposition is under foot at Winnipeg to utilize the water of the Assiniboine for manufacturing purposes.

—Development work on the Lanark mine at Illecillewaet has been suspended, owing, it is reported, to a contemplated sale.

—The Bank of British North America is not chartered under the Canadian Banking Act, but incorporated by Royal charter.

—A sailor named Howe fell into the water Saturday night while trying to step on board the Etta White, now lying at Spratt's wharf.

—An honest young man named J. J. Webster found a gold locket on Wharf street this morning, which he handed to Supt. Sheppard.

—The British Columbia *Monthly and Mining Review* will be sold at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s book store, and J. J. Daley & Co.'s, Government street. •

—The residence of Robert McKee, five miles from Ladner's Landing, was destroyed by fire on Thursday afternoon. Loss, $2000. The insurance was $900.

—The churches were well filled yesterday, but for some unexplained reason the desire to sniff the air of the suburbs was manifested by a great number of people.

—Thomas Anderson, aged 48 years, died on Sunday at the Royal Hospital. He was a resident of this city for a number of years. The funeral will take place at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

—Mr. Bennett, a wealthy gentleman from California, who arrived in this city last week, has taken stock in the street railway and purchased property with the intention of making Victoria his home.

—An Sunday morning at 2:30 o'clock the fire bell struck one tap, which was sufficient to turn the firemen out of their beds. The cause was supposed to be the disarranging of the striking apparatus on the electric gong.

—Billy McVeigh writes Donald *Truth:* "Have visited all the towns and cities on British Columbia's coast, and like Nanaimo the best." Mr. McVeigh is now over the boundary taking a look at Uncle Sam's villages on the Sound.

—A local paper says burglaries are numerous of late. The Superintendent of Police says the complaints about burlars have not reached his ears and if they are numerous he would like the newspapers to mention one or two instances. Victoria is not troubled with burglars and the police have always ferretted out every criminal with great alacrity.

—On Saturday evening a young Frenchman, slightly under the influence of liquor, while playing with some boys on the Bastion street bridge, Nanaimo, leaned against the railing, which broke. He fell a distance of 35 feet in the ravine and broke his leg and otherwise injured himself. He is in a critical condition, and has been removed to the hospital.

PERSONAL.

Items Telling of the Movements of Well Known Persons.

L. E. Prowse, an enterprising and successful young merchant of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, is in the city and leaves for home by the Sound cities, Portland and San Francisco to-morrow.

Robert Ward and Mrs Ward returned this morning from a visit to Southern California.

J. J. Austin, Mrs. Austin and Miss Austin were amongst the arrivals from San Francisco on last night's steamer.

John Sebl came down from Nanaimo Saturday evening and returns to-morrow morning.

Messrs. Ladner and Orr, M. P. Ps., were passengers by the Islander last evening.

Mr. Geo. Thomson, M. P. P. for Nanaimo, arrived in the city to take his seat in the House. Mrs. Thomson has recovered from her recent severe illness, and the two remaining children of a family of six—four having died from diphtheria—are now out of all danger.

JEWELRY THIEF CAUGHT.

The Chinese Cook Steals $160 Worth of Jewelry.

On Sunday morning the police arrested a Chinaman at a wash-house on Blanchard street, near Fort. The arrest was made through a civilian who was asked to enter the house to prevent the Chinaman from disposing of the jewelry, which would have been done if an officer in uniform entered the house. The Chinaman, named Ah Yip, was caught and taken to the police station. On his person was found a diamond ring. The Chinaman was in the employ of Miss Annie Campbell until Friday last, when he was discharged. When he left the house the following articles were missed: One gold ring set with rubies and diamonds; one diamond ring; one gold brooch, one knife and other property valued at $160. The Chinaman left the house, and was located by Supt. Sheppard in the wash house on Blanchard street, where he was captured by the police on Sunday. He was for some time in the employ of Major Dupont and will, no doubt, receive a well merited sentence as evidence of his guilt was found on his person.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C.)

Mary, an Indian woman, was fined $5 for being drunk and disorderley.

Ah Yip, charged with stealing a quantity of jewelry from Miss Annie Campbell. Mr. Duck, from the S. P. Mills' office, appeared for the defence and asked for a remand until to-morrow. The remand was granted.

PROVINCIAL COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Q. C., S. M.)

Mary, an Indian woman, charged by Officer Lewis with having a bottle of liquor in her possession on an Indian reserve. Fined $50 and costs or two months.

Joseph Dwart, a Mexican, was sentenced to imprisonment for two months for supplying liquor to Indians.

About a foot of snow fell on Denman Island on Thursday morning. At Comox there is about ten inches and the merry jingle of the sleigh bells is heard on all sides.

From San Francisco.

Steamer Umatilla arrived at 8 o'clock last evening with 1365 tons of freight for the following places: Victoria, 158 tons; Vancouver, 112 tons; Port Townsend, 126 tons; Seattle, 602 tons; Tacoma, 367 tons.

Correction.

Through an unfortunate error in an editorial in Saturday's Times we were made to say "St. Paul's Acts of the Apostles," instead of "The Acts," etc. The proof-reader is not a profound biblical scholar, otherwise the error might have been discovered.

Tourists.

Whether on pleasure bent or business, should take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches and other forms of sickness. For sale in bottles by all leading druggists.

No Proceedings.

It is stated that the rumor current a few days ago to the effect that divorce proceedings had been commenced, in which parties of high social standing were interested, is unfounded. No proceedings, we are assured have been taken, nor are they likely to be, for the reason, it is claimed, that no cause exists for an action.

Accident at No. 4 Shaft.

Early on Saturday morning an employee of the Vancouver Coal Company named Coulson, and a Chinaman were knocked from the trestle work at the pithead of No. 4 shaft. They fell about twenty-five feet to the ground. Mr. Coulson's ankle is rather badly injured. The Chinaman was taken away by his friends.

Lecture.

A lecture was delivered in Harmony Hall on Sunday evening to a large audience, on the absurdity of materialism, by Mr. Smith, who was formerly a Universalist clergyman, and who delivered a course of lectures in Victoria about ten years ago. We understand that Mr. Smith, assisted by the young men who are mind readers, will give a lecture and exhibition at the Victoria Theatre during the week.

Probable Case of Drowning.

The tow boat, J. E. Boyden, Captain Kilton, master, arrived in Port Townsend on Friday morning from Cape Flattery. The captain reports that while between Point Wilson and Point Partridge he picked up an empty boat. The boat is painted black all over, and measures sixteen feet long. The boat contained nothing but four oars and a loaf of bread. Nothing could be found to tell who the owner of the boat was.

Canada's Trade

The value of goods exported from Canada in 1887-88 was by countries a, follows: —Great Britain, $42,584,984; United States, $42,572,065; France, $397,773; Germany, $195,543; Spain, $52,317; Portugal, $155,821; Italy, $55,090; Holland, $378; Belgium, $17,057; Newfoundland $1,523,827; West Indies, $261,486; South America, $1,510,637; China and Japan, $137,448; Australia, $4,446,619; other countries, $454,555.

Knights of Pythias.

The Knights of Pythias of the city of Victoria will hold their annual ball to-morrow evening in Assembly Hall. The building has been gaily decorated with evergreens, flags and mottos and a large number of banners recently received by Far West Lodge will lend enchantment to the scene of festivity. The members are determined to make their ball a grand success and already over two hundred tickets have been disposed of. The music will be first class and L. Marbœuf, of the Poodle Dog Rotesaire, will have charge of the dining-room.

Georgia Minstrels.

The Georgia Minstrels drew a crowded house last night, and the unanimous verdict of all those present was that it is the best minstrel show that has ever visited the city. Billy Kersands and George Jackson, the two best colored comedians in the business, kept the audience in an uproar whenever they appeared. They are a whole entertainment in themselves. The singing by the Crescent City Quartette was good and elicited frequent applause. The entertainment throughout was fully up to the standard of this famous company of colored artists.—*Aberdeen, Dak Republican.*

Stabbing Affray.

An Italian named Leo stabbed an Englishman named Porskitt in a cabin at Moberly, Kootenay district, on Friday. Porskitt was lying in a bunk and Leo standing with his back to him, when the former made a cross-mark on the latter's back; the mark simply indicating that the person so marked was a "cull," and jokingly made by the men on each other. Leo turned round and struck at Porskitt, whereupon the latter got out on the floor and struck Leo in the face. A scuffle took place, during which Porskitt was stabbed in the abdomen a little to the right of the navel. If the inflammation can be controlled the wound is not necessarily fatal. Leo has been arrested and committed for trial.

British Bark Seized.

The British bark Antrim, with coal from Departure bay, arrived in San Francisco late Tuesday night, in charge of Lieutenant West and two men from the revenue cutter Corwin. Acting on information received by Special Inspector Beecher, the vessel was listed as a "suspect," it being thought that she has a large quantity of smuggled opium on board. On arrival in port the vessel was turned over to the customs authorities. Up to Wednesday evening a search had not disclosed anything of a contraband nature. The vessel will be docked and a careful search will be made. The customs officers will not find any opium on the bark. A cargo of Wellington coal at present rates is of more value than a few thousand pounds of opium.

Enlarged.

The Kamloops *Sentinel* says: "On Monday last THE TIMES appeared in an enlarged and otherwise improved form. An additional column has been added to each page, and the columns have been lengthened about two inches, giving in all about seven columns additional matter each day. The heavy tax upon the columns of the paper for advertising space rendered the enlargement necessary, as under the old form the proprietors found it impossible to satisfy their patrons and at the same time give the necessary amount of reading matter. THE TIMES is now the largest evening paper published in the province, and the *Sentinel* is pleased to note the prosperity that made the change necessary. May it long live and prosper, and may the recent change be only the commencement of what will eventually bring THE TIMES to be one of the largest morning papers in Canada, even as it is now one of the best conducted."

Three Hundred Dollars to the Ton

James Delaney writes Donald *Truth* under date of January 29th: The Warm Springs district on Kootenay Lake is a coming mining camp. Of its quartz mines, G. B. Wright's "Number One" is the richest yet developed. Its ore will average over $300 to the ton. The Great Falls Smelting Company has made an offer to buy 50,000 tons of the ore at a price up in the hundreds. At present there are seventeen men at work in the tunnel, which will have to run in about 300 feet. They are working 8-hour shifts and are now in 140 feet. Two shifts are taking out ore in the incline when not engaged in certain preliminary work; but when the tunnel strikes the ledge Mr. Wright expects to make things hum. The mine is located three and a half miles from the warm springs on the lake's shore, and the snow is about four feet deep at it. A. D. Wheeler has six men at work on the "Let-Her-Go-Gallagher" claim, and two on the "Krao." Both claims are rich and opening up well. The "Little Donald" is another first-class claim, on which seven men are at work taking out ore.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Proceedings in the House of Assembly To-Day.

Monday, Feb. 18.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2 p. m. Prayers by the Rev. Mr. McLeod.

PRIVATE BILLS.

The Chairman of private bills committee reported recommending the petition of the synod of British Columbia, Vancouver street railway, Coquitlam Water Works, New Westminster and the Vancouver Short Line Railway. The time for receiving petitions for private bills was extended to March 1st, and the time for receiving private bills to March 14th.

On motion being made that the standing orders be suspended for the purpose of allowing the committee's report to be accepted.

Mr. Semlin spoke strongly against this proposition, stating that people knew what the rules were but did not act up to them, knowing that the House made a practice of making extensions of this kind. He thought it should be discontinued.

Hon. Mr. Robson agreed with the member for Yale in the abstract, but thought a concession should be made this time.

Col. Baker explained that if his request were refused it would delay development for a year.

Mr. Grant would favor the extension of the time as it had been done in other years, but in future would refuse to do so without very good reasons.

Motion passed.

PETITIONS.

Col. Baker presented a petition from the Kootenay & Athabaska Railway Company, asking that their act of incorporation be amended.

Mr. Orr presented a petition for amendments to the New Westminster charter.

Hon. Mr. Robson presented a petition from the Brocton Point Athletic Club.

Mr. Fry presented a petition asking for the incorporation of the Victoria Lumber Manufacturing Company.

INCORPORATION.

Hon. Mr. Beaven introduced a bill to incorporate the Synod of British Columbia.

Hon. Mr. Robson introduced a bill to amend the "Charitable Associations Act."

Mr. Anderson introduced a Public Roads bill, which the mover explained had a similar object to the bills introduced by him in previous years, viz: the protection of the highways. The bill confined itself almost wholly to dealing with the width of wagon tires.

Hon. Mr. Beaven said similar bills to this had been introduced during the last sixteen years, all being defeated either at one stage or another. So far as wide tires were concerned it was claimed by many that the only difference was that one made a narrow rut, while the other made a wide one.

Hon. Mr. Robson hoped that this bill would not meet with the fate of its predecessors. Under certain conditions it made no difference what the width of the tires but with such surface as we had to deal with undoubtedly the wide tires would work the best. It would moreover effect a great saving of public money, especially in Victoria, where a great deal of cordwood hauling was done. It was the swaying of the loads from one side to the other which cut up the roads.

Mr. Grant said according to the width of the tire just in proportion would be the pressure in front of the wheel of the carriage. This bill, which was only intended to apply to Victoria district, was also one in which the city was very much interested. He could not forget, however, the change of base of the last speaker, the Provincial Secretary. He remembered reading in the papers some years ago when Mr. Bunster introduced a bill of this kind, that the present Provincial Secretary was so struck with the ridiculousness of the thing that he moved an amendment providing that if it passed every man who used wheels with tires four inches wide, should also have to wear boots with soles four inches thick. If the bill passed at least a considerable time should be given to those in possession of narrow tires to wear them out.

Messrs. Croft and Fry supported the bill. Mr. Fry had conversed with some of the people of his district respecting this matter and found they were entirely in favor of it. One gentleman who had used the wide tires and who did a great deal of work for the government, had told him this morning, that if people got in the way of using wide tires they would have no other.

The bill passed the second reading and was submitted to committee of the whole, Mr. Ladner in the chair.

A SUMMER HOTEL.

Movement on Foot to Form a Company—Capital $250,000.

It is learned to-day that an earnest movement is on foot to form a joint stock company with a capital of $250,000 for the purpose of erecting a large summer hotel. The enterprise so necessary of the city has been under consideration for some months and it is thought a sufficient number of enterprising citizens of means will be found to take hold of the matter and carry it through. It is understood that the promoters have secured the refusal of suitable grounds on which to erect the hotel at James Bay, and a public meeting called by the mayor to further the object is likely to be held.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER.

The Desperate Criminal at Large in Victoria.

The steamer Umatilla was the scene of a determined attempt to murder on her voyage from San Francisco. The cook of the steamer was terribly cut with a knife by one of the waiters on the steamer, and it is reported that he is not expected to live. The trouble originated in a seizure of opium which was made by the San Francisco custom house officials when the vessel arrived in San Francisco last Tuesday morning. The opium was found secreted behind the panels in the cook's galley, where it was concealed by the man who used the knife on the cook. The waiter believed that the cook informed the custom house officers and accused him of it on the trip to this port. From words the men came to blows with the result that the waiter seized a knife and cut the cook in a terrible manner, and it is probable that he will die from the wounds. The officers of the vessel put the would be murderer in irons and when the vessel arrived last night the man escaped and is at large in the city. The city police received no information of the tragedy and the wounded man is still on board the steamer. It is reported that the man who did the cutting was assisted in making his escape by some one on the vessel. He is a hard character from Australia, and had two pairs of handcuffs on his hands when he made his escape. The cook is cut in four places. The city police should immediately take steps to secure this dangerous man and most likely a clue can be found from parties in the neighborhood of the outer wharf as the man could not go far with two pairs of handcuffs on his wrists.

Northwest Lands.

A petition to the Dominion Government is being circulated throughout the Northwest Territories, asking that the prices of pre-emption lands be reduced, especially in districts distant from railways, as follows: For lands within twenty miles of an operated railway, $2 an acre, and for lands at a greater distance from an operated railway, $1 an acre. Objection is also taken to the timber dues, and it asked that no charge be made for dry wood used by homesteaders for fuel purposes—as by using up the dead timbers fires are kept from spreading and the growing timber protected—and that each homesteader be allowed free the timber required by him for fencing and building on his homestead and pre emption.

OUR MUSICAL COLUMN.

Coming Musical Events of the Week Interesting to Singers.

The only event of any importance in the musical world of Victoria last week was the entertainment provided by the St. Joseph's Society. Not being distinctly of a musical character, it was not D. S. Q's. privilege to be in attendance, consequently this is no criticism.

The great events of the present week are the St. John's Church Concert, and "Ye Old Folkes Concert." It is a pity that it could not have been so arranged that they took place on different evenings. D. S. Q. has not seen a programme of the St. John's concert, but there can be no doubt as to the class of music that is to be rendered, and is sure to be worth hearing. "Ye Old Folkes concert" should also prove an attraction. Such well known vocalists as Miss O'Neil, Mr. Turnbull, Mr. Brown and Mr. Kinnaird have consented to take part. The idea is not a new one, but such affairs generally prove very amusing and enjoyable. Having had such an abundance of high class music lately, D. S. Q. will endeavor to see "Ye Old Folks" perform.

A crying necessity in Victoria is a good Concert Hall. There is not a building (with the exception of the theatre (in Victoria fit for a decent entertainment to be given in. Philharmonic Hall is simply useless. Badly lighted, poor accommodation, and its accoustic properties are nil. With the Philharmonic Hall useless, almost every entertainment of a secular character has to be given in a schoolroom small and badly constructed. It is not always that the theatre can be had, and if possible the expense is too great. If a good sized hall were built capable of seating 600 to 800 D. S. Q. feels sure that it would be a paying investment. In cities in the East city halls are generally large enough to hold the majority of large audiences and the city reaps the benefit. As it is in Victoria the hall is useless for a gathering of any size. Our city fathers should cogitate over these facts and provide us with a fine hall which can be used for concerts, banquets, balls and public meetings, and they will it find to the advantage of the city. Failing this by the city fathers let some public spirited gentleman provide his townmen with such a building and he would receive not only the thanks of the public but he would find money in it.

A number of bigots of the Jeremy Collier type, are making things miserable for Emma Abbott. Victorians will remember the leading tenor of her company Montegriffo. The trouble arose from Montegriffo singing in the choir of an Episcopal church and was publicly thanked by the presiding clergyman. It is said that an attempt has been made to boycott the Abbott Company, but this has signally failed. Crowded houses greeting her wherever she goes.

Young musicians would do well to remembers the words of the immortal Mozart: "People are mistaken if they think I had no difficulty in mastering my art! No one has taken more trouble than I. There is scarcely a celebrated composer whom I did not study earnestly and repeatedly."

D. S. Q. would like to know where and when Mr. J. G. Brown received his title of Professor, and at what college of music. During the last week several items have appeared in the papers designating Mr. Brown as Professor. D. S. Q. does not mean to insinuate that Mr. B. claims this title but he thinks that Mr. B. has more common sense than to allow any such prefix to his name.

DEMI SEMI QUAVER.

SPORTING NEWS.

Watson Will Compete in the Six Days Race—Lacrosse.

A Victorian will take part in the six days' match at San Francisco. Thomas Watson, the long distance champion runner of British Columbia, will be one of the starters in the race for the championship of the Pacific coast. Tom is a good runner and we expect to hear from him during the contest.

INDIANS FOR AUSTRALIA.

Dr. Foster, of Toronto, proposes to take two lacrosse teams over to Australia in the spring, stopping at Honolulu and perhaps also playing in New Zealand by the way. He is in negotiation with Big John to see if he can organize a good team of Iroquois Indians at Caughnawaga for this tour, and Big John is talking over the matter with the best lacrosse players of his tribe. Each member of the team would be given two suits of clothes besides a monthly salary. If the trip is taken it is not unlikely the teams may pass through Victoria, in which event our lacrosse club would like to arrange for their reception and for a game.

EAST COAST NEWS.

Sale of Mining Property—Denman Island Wharf, &c

[From the Courier.]

Negotiations are pending for the sale of the mining properties of the Texada Mining Company to a number of capitalists represented by Vancouver parties. It is understood that a pretty good figure has been offered for the claims but it is not known as yet whether the offer will be accepted or not.

The wharf at Denman Island is in a bad condition, and it is the intention to endeavor to induce the government to effect the much needed repairs.

On Thursday evening last there was a meeting of the residents of Denman Island to consider the best means of getting a road made to enable the settlers to get their produce to the wharf, so as to ship it to a market.

A revival is in progress at Comox, and the Rev. W. W. Baer is conducting most interesting meetings and many are forsaking the paths of sin and identifying themselves with the ways of righteousness, which are the ways of peace. Rev. Mr. Baer has been ill for a couple of days, but the meetings were conducted during his illness by Mr. Thos. Piercy in an acceptable manner.

Action for Libel.

Sir William Haste, Bart, through Theo. Davie, has instituted proceedings for libel against the *Colonist*, *Standard* and TIMES for alleged libel, claiming $5,000 damages from each news paper. We believe the Vancouver papers will also be made parties to the action. Mr. Wm. Angus has also been served with a writ, damages being laid at $10,000. The cause of the action is not stated in the writ served upon the press.

A Sad Mission.

Mr. D. B. Reid arrived in this city last evening with the remains of his brother, James Deighton Reid, son of Rev. Dr. Reid of this city. The deceased was in delicate health for some years, and sought the warmer climate of California, and died at Madera, Southern California, on Sunday, the 10th inst. He is remembered by his many young friends in this city as a Christian young gentleman of sterling character and social qualities, which endeared him to all who knew him.

Remarkable Phenomena.

The people of Victoria are to have a rare opportunity of witnessing some of the most remarkable phenomena ever given in public. The following indorsement will be fully appreciated:

"We the undersigned citizens of Victoria, having witnessed the remarkable phenomena known as mind reading, as manifest in the Hofstad Brothers, pronounce it to be without the shadow of deception of any kind, and that it is of the clearest and most convincing character, and we cordially commend them to our fellow citizens of Victoria and elsewhere.

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The Hofstad Brothers will give an exhibition at Philharmonic Hall, on Wednesday evening, February 20th.

TURKISH BATHS.

To THE EDITOR THE TIMES.

SIR,—When an opening exists there are generally plenty of people ready to fill it. An opening exists in this city for Turkish baths. Whoever is the lucky individual to start it will find a paying investment from the start. Yours truly,

C. V. S.

WOMEN VOTING.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—Please allow me space in your valuable paper as I wish to make a few remarks on women voting. Just as soon as that law is passed the great respect which now prevails for the fair sex will lose its hold and at rapid rate. The scene at the polls will be a disgrace to women of high degree and virtue; where men of the medium class will be found running women from the lowest dens to the polls, this will surely cause respect to vanish, and there will be so much voting man and wife opposite. This will cause trouble and a divorce law will have to follow, or Uncle Sam's country will get a number of our men. Your correspondent is a loyal subject and don't want that law to pass. A vote is no good unless it can be backed up with rifle or sword if necessary.

J. R. THOMPSON.

Los Angeles, Feb. 12.

TWO UNFORTUNATE MEN.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—"Is Marriage a Failure," and the "Best Hundred Books" have been thoroughly ventilated in the press, and to keep the ball rolling we suggest next for discussion, which two men of history were the most unfortunate. To show our sincerity in the matter, we offer the names of Judas Iscariot and Pilate. We are induced to offer the names of these two men, because, for all their being the involuntary tools of prophecy, the Christian world has never, so far as we are aware, condoned their respective offences. The betrayal and crucifixion of Christ seems to have been a preordained affair, and how else can we regard the unlucky instrument of His betrayal than unfortunate. We excuse the crimes perpetrated under temporary mental aberration; why should we not condone the errors of moral aberration superinduced by an omnipotent instrumentality. We could never see the philosophy of Judas hanging himself, when had he undertaken to analyze the causes which led up to the perpetration of the rash act, he could have exclaimed without stultification, it was the will of God. So far as Pilate is concerned, when we take into consideration the policy of the Romans to forbear interfering with the laws and practices of a conquered people not inimical to Roman interests, his conduct was quite human and consonant with the desire to conciliate the Jews as far as possible. Pilate's subserviency to the Jews, probably, with his instructions from Rome, heightened by a power of which he wot not. "What is truth?" asks Pilate. The cynicism of this question stamps Pilate as no ordinary man, a man perfectly familiar with the philosophy of the period. What is truth? The man who had thought deep enough to ask this question might well have turned Christ over to the Jews washing his hands at the same time. Judas and Pilate were unfortunate men; let somebody point out two others who have suffered more from posterity.

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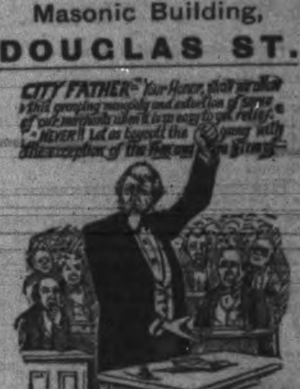

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